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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: EIGEN ET AL (DIV)
SERIAL NO.: 10/032,897 EXAMINER: JOYCE TUNG
FILED: OCTOBER 25, 2001 GROUP: 1637
TITLE: PROCESS AND AGENT FOR INSTABILIZING VIRAL
QUASI-SPECIES DISTRIBUTIONS AVOIDING
RESISTANCE PHENOMENA

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

ATTN: MAIL STOP FEE AMENDMENT
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated December 4, 2002, with the time for reply having been extended for three months, or until JUNE 4, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on Page 2.

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 5.

Remarks begin on Page 16.